

Readings from the Word of God

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Luke 2:36-38 (NKJV)

³⁶ Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity; ³⁷ and this woman was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. ³⁸ And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem.

Luke 2:27-32 (NKJV)

²⁷ And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, ²⁸ he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:

²⁹ “Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace,
According to Your word;
³⁰ For my eyes have seen Your salvation
³¹ Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples,
³² A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles,
And the glory of Your people Israel.”

Luke 2:33-35 (NKJV)

³³ And Joseph and His mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of Him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against ³⁵ (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”

Psalm 37:23-25 (NKJV)

- 23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD,
And He delights in his way.
- 24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down;
For the LORD upholds him with His hand.
- 25 I have been young, and now am old;
Yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken,
Nor his descendants begging bread.

Divine Providence §203

....the human race throughout the whole world is under the guidance of the Lord, and everyone from infancy even to the end of their life is led by Him in the most individual things.

Secrets of Heaven §6303

....when the Lord is with any one, He leads them, and provides that all things which happen, whether sad or joyful, befalls them for good: this is the Divine providence.

Psalm 37:37, 39-40 (NKJV)

- 37 Mark the blameless man, and observe the upright;
For the future of that man is peace.
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- 39 [T]he salvation of the righteous is from the LORD;
He is their strength in the time of trouble.
- 40 And the LORD shall help them and deliver them;
He shall deliver them from the wicked,
And save them,
Because they trust in Him.